

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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RE: MUR 6884

Montana Republican Party Bowen Greenwood, Executive Director Box 935 Helena, MT 59624

Dear Mr. Greenwood:

On September 8, 2016, the Federal Election Commission reviewed the allegations in the complaint you filed on October 24, 2014 and found that on the basis of the information provided in the complaint and information provided by Respondents John Lewis and his campaign committee, Montanans for Lewis and Holly Giarraputo in her official capacity as treasurer (collectively "Respondents"), there is no reason to believe that they violated 52 U.S.C. §§ 30104(b)(3)(A), 30116(a)(8), or 11 C.F.R. § 110.6(c)(2). Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter on September 8, 2016.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003) and Statement of Policy Regarding Placing First General Counsel's Reports on the Public Record, 74 Fed. Reg. 66,132 (Dec. 14, 2009). The Factual and Legal Analysis, which more fully explain the Commission's findings, is enclosed.

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(8).

Sincerely,

General Counsel

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Enclosure: Factual and Legal Analysis